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SUBJECT: BOURBON/TEQUILA AGREEMENT

REF: MEXICO 418, 1/17

1. GOM HAS STILL NOT PUBLISHED BOURBON DECREE IN DIARIO OFICIAL. ACCORDING TO LARRANAGA, WHO WAS RECENTLY PROMOTED TO DIRECTOR GENERAL OF STANDARDS VICE ALCALA, PUBLICATION OF THE DECREE AND EFFECTIVE DATE HINGE ONLY ON TIME REQUIRED BY MANUFACTURERS OF "BOURBON WHISKY" IN CIUDAD JUAREZ TO HAVE NEW LABELS PRINTED ELIMINATING THE WORD "BOURBON". THIS IS SAME EXCUSE FOR DELAY OFFERED BY GOM MORE THAN ONE MONTH AGO. LARRANAGA INTIMATES THAT DECREE MAY BE ISSUED NEXT WEEK EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY UPON PUBLICATION, BUT IS UNABLE TO GIVE FIRM ASSURANCE.

2. EMBASSY HAS MAINTAINED FREQUENT CONTACT WITH LARRANAGA ON THIS SUBJECT. HE INDICATES THAT ON INSTRUCTION OF INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE SECRETARY CAMPILLO SAINZ, HE CANNOT GO AHEAD ON DECREE UNTIL GIVEN GREEN LIGHT BY JUAREZ MANUFACTURERS.

3. THE DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO RAISE THE DELAY IN ISSUANCE MEXICAN DECREE WITH MEXICAN AMBASSADOR DE OLLOQUI. IT COULD BE POINTED OUT THAT THERE WAS UNWRITTEN UNDERSTANDING THAT US AND MEXICAN ACTIONS WOULD COINCIDE. MOREOVER, GOM GIVEN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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MORE THAN ADEQUATE LEAD TIME TO ACCOMPLISH ITS PART OF AGREEMENT.

MEXICAN STALLING AT THIS LATE STAGE UNJUSTIFIABLE. PERHAPS
SOME DISCREET PRODDING AT WASHINGTON, SUPPLEMENTING CONTINUED
EMBASSY PRESSURE HERE, MAY HASTEN FORWARD MOVEMENT.
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